GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES – Home (Prisons& Fire Services) Department – Gazetted Establishment – Sri K. Govindarajulu, Suprintendent, Central Prison, Kadapa – Departmental Proceedings under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Articles of Charges – issued.

HOME (PRISONS & FIRE SERVICES) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 214 **Dated: 06-04-2016.**

ORDER:

Whereas Sri K. Govindarajulu, Superintendent, Central Prison, Kadapa has exhibited lack of supervision and dereliction of duty by not performing duties as laid down in Andhra Pradesh Prison Rules, 1979 resulting in escape of 4 life convict prisoners from Central Prison, Kadapa on 28-12-2015 at about 6-20 PM by scaling the perimeter wall near the 3rd Tower using a wooden ladder. Hence it is proposed to hold an enquiry against the Sri K. Govindarajulu, Superintendent, Central Prison, Kadapa in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule – 20 of Andhre Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of mis-conduct or mis-behavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in enclosed statement of Article of Charges **(Annexure-I)**. Statement of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in support of each articles of charge and list of documents and a list of witnesses by whom the article of charge proposed to be sustained, are also enclosed in **Annexure-II & III.**

3. Sri K. Govindarajulu, Superintendent, Central Prison, Kadapa is therefore directed to submit his written statement of defence within (10) days from the date of receipt of this order and also to state whether he desires to be heard in person.

4. Sri K. Govindarajulu, Superintendent, Central Prison, Kadapa is informed that an enquiry will be held only in respect of those article of charge are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit of deny each article of charge.

5. Sri K. Govindarajulu, Superintendent, Central Prison, Kadapa is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para -3 above, further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri K. Govindarajulu, Superintendent, Central Prison, Kadapa is invited to Rule – 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interests in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri K. Govindarajulu, Superintendent, Central Prison, Kadapa is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule -24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. This Order is served in duplicate. The receipt of this Order should be acknowledged on duplicate copy in token of having received the original and returned to this office through Director General of Prisons & Correctional Services, A.P., Hyderabad.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

DR. MANMOHAN SINGH
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To

1. Sri K. Govindarajulu, Superintendent, Central Prison, Kadapa through the Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad
2. The Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad. (He is requested to take disciplinary action under Rule 20 of APCS(CCA) Rules on the remaining staff also).

//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE – I

Statement of Articles of Charge framed against Sri K. Govindarajulu, Superintendent, Central Prison, Kadapa.

ARTICLE

"That the said Sri K. Govindarajulu, Superintendent, Central Prison, Kadapa has exhibited lack of supervision and dereliction of duty by not performing duties as laid down in Andhra Pradesh Prison Rules, 1979 resulting in escape of 4 life convite prisoners from Central Prison, Kadapa on 28.12.2015 at about 6.20PM by scaling the perimeter wall near the 3rd Tower using a wooden ladder"

ANNEXURE –II

Statement of Imputations on which article of charges proposed against Sri K. Govindarajulu, Superintendent, Central Prison, Kadapa.

On 28-12-2015, the following four prisoners who were confined in Krishna and Godavari enclosures, after having their dinner moved towards mosque around 5-30PM carried the ladder which was already hidden by them in the new mosque carried it all the way to the perimeter wall near 3rd tower.

i. CT No 4665 B. Ramachandra S/o B. Sriramulu, aged about 26 years R/o Jangalapalli Village Pai palli Post Airala Mandal, Chitoor Dist.

ii. CT No 5713 Dasari Boyanulla Ravi Kumar S/ o Venkata Tamana, aged about 37 years R/o M. Gollapalli Village Ramasamudram Chitoor Dist.

iii. CT No 5952 Deva @jani aged about 25 years, R/o Ambedkhar Nagar Kurnool Dist

iv. CT No 5439 Gorasandra Hanumanthappa S/o G. Thippanna aged about 33 years R/o Gonabavi Village Gummagatta Mandal, near Rayadurgam, Ananthapuram Dist.

2. The Superintendent, Central Prison, Kadapa issued orders to the Chief Head Warder Sri P.S.Gopal Naik to shift the post of Head Warder from Old Canteen Area to other place and left the area unguarded and facilitated easy escape. The above escaped prisoners scaled the wall using the ladder, covered the live wire with jute bags to avoid elactrocution, and descended the other side using lungi twined as rope tying it to the angular of the live wire.

3. Thus Sri K. Govindarajulu, Superintendent, Central Prison, Kadapa faild to discharge his duties in detecting the ladder and identifying the contraband article. It was the slack supervision on the part of the Charged Officer in running the administration of the Central Prison, Kadapa and failed to guide his subordinates properly in various aspects of administration particularly conducting periodical searches from time to time. Had he taken timely attention on the ladder during his rounds or had efficient searches been conducted, the ladder could have been easily detected and the escape could have been prevented. It amounts to gross negligence and lack of proper supervision in performing his legitimate duties. Hence the charge.

ANNEXURE –III

List of documents by which article of charge framed against Sri K.Govindarajulu, Superintendent, Central Prison, Kadapa are proposed to be sustained.

(1) Preliminary Enquiry report dt 21-01-2016 of Sri G. Jayavaradhan, DIG of Prisons (KR) Kadapa.
(2) Photographs and sketch depicting manner of escape.
(3) Andhra Pradesh Prison Rules, 1979.

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